INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS
BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS

JUNE 30, 2006

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OFFICIALS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	Term Expires
	BOARD OF EDUCATION	
	(Before September, 2005 Election)	
Rick Woodard Cheryl Lindmark Mark Anderson	President	2005 2007 2006
Mark Anderson Toni Larsen Tricia Rose	(appointed June, 2005)	2005 2005
	(After September, 2005 Election)	
Cheryl Lindmark Tricia Rose Mark Anderson Eric McGlynn Nicole McFarland	President	2007 2008 2006 2006 2007

SCHOOL OFFICIALS

Sarah Binder Superintendent

Linda Swedlund District Secretary/
Treasurer

Independent Auditor's Report

To The Board of Education of the Stratford Community School District:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Stratford Community School District, Stratford, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2006, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of District officials. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards and provisions require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Stratford Community School District as of June 30, 2006, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, for the year then ended in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued our report dated July 27, 2006 on our consideration of Stratford Community School District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Management's Discussion and Analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 4 through 12 and 31 thru 32 are not required parts of the basic financial statements, but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. We did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Stratford Community School District's basic financial statements. We previously audited in accordance with the standards referred to in the second paragraph of this report. The financial statements for the three years ended June 30, 2005 (none of which are presented herein) and expressed unqualified opinions on those financial statements. Other supplementary information included in Schedules 1 through 4, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

BRUCE D. FRINK
Certified Public Accountant

July 27, 2006

Management's Discussion and Analysis

Stratford Community School District provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of its financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities is for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the District's financial statements, which follow.

2006 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- General Fund revenues increased from \$1,634,328 in fiscal 2005 to \$1,894,057 in fiscal 2006, while General Fund expenditures increased from \$1,648,864 in fiscal year 2005 to \$1,789,538 in fiscal 2006.
- The increase in General Fund revenues was attributable to increases in all areas of funding. The increase in expenditures was due primarily to an increase in instructional costs. Much of this was a result of additional revenues being specified for various purposes that had to be spent during the fiscal year. The General Fund balance increased by 19% primarily due to the increase in revenues both restricted and unrestricted.
- An increase in interest rates, during the past fiscal year, resulted in an increase in interest earnings in the General Fund.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This report consists of three parts: management's discussion and analysis (this section), the basic financial statements and required supplementary information. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the District:

- The first two statements are government-wide financial statements that provide both short-term and long-term information about the District's overall financial status.
- The remaining statements are fund financial statements that focus on individual parts of the District, reporting the District's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements.
- The statements for governmental funds explain how basic services, such as regular and special education, were financed in the short term, as well as what remains for future spending.
- The statement for proprietary funds offer short-term and long-term financial information about the activities the District operates like businesses, such as food services.

Other Supplementary Information provides detailed information about the non-major Special Revenue Funds. In addition, the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards provides details of various programs benefiting the District.

Figure A-1 shows how the various parts of this annual report are arranged and relate to one another.

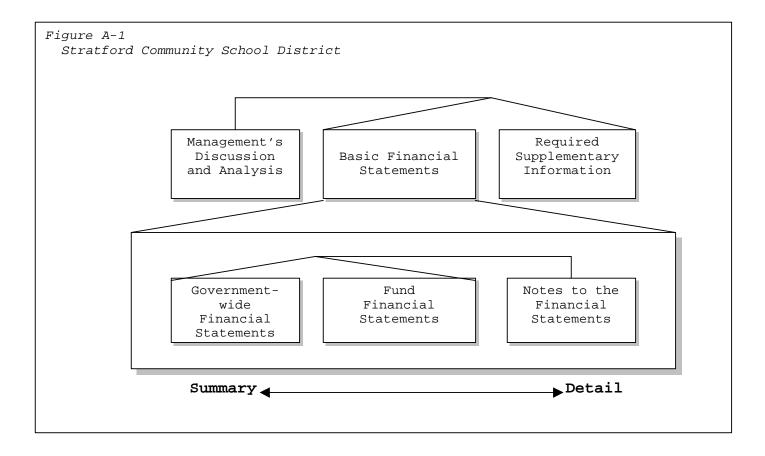


Figure A-2 summarizes the major features of the District's financial statements, including the portion of the District's activities they cover and the types of information they contain the remainder of this overview section of the management discussion and analysis highlights the structure and contents of each of the statements.

Figure A-2
Major Features of the Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

	Government-wide	ial Statements		
	Statements	Governmental Funds	Proprietary Funds	
Entire district		The activities of the district that are not proprietary, such as special education and building maintenance	Activities the district operates similar to private businesses, such as food service	
Required financial statements	Statement of Net AssetsStatement of Activities	 Balance sheet Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances 	 Statement of Net Assets Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets Statement of Cash Flows 	
Accounting basis and measurement focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	Modified accrual accounting and current financial focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	
Type of asset/ liability information	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, short-term and long-term	Generally assets expected to be used up and liabilities that come due during the year or soon thereafter; no capital assets or long-term liabilities included	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, and short-term and long-term	
Type of inflow/outflow information	All revenues and expenses during year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	Revenues for which cash is received during or soon after the end of the year; expenditures when goods or services have been received and the related liability is due and payable	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	

REPORTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Government-wide Financial Statements

The two government-wide statements report the District's net assets and how they have changed. Net assets - the difference between the District's assets and liabilities - is one way to measure the District's financial health or position.

- Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net assets are an indicator of whether financial position is improving or deteriorating respectively.
- To assess the District's overall health, you need to consider additional non-financial factors, such as changes in the District's property tax base and the condition of school buildings and other facilities.

In the government-wide financial statements, the District's activities are divided into two categories:

- Governmental activities: Most of the District's basic services are included here, such as regular and special education, transportation and administration. Property tax and state aid finance most of these activities.
- Business type activities: The District charges fees to help cover the costs of certain services it provides. The District's school nutrition program is included here.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the District's funds, focusing on its most significant or "major" funds - not the District as a whole. Funds are accounting devices the District uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending on particular programs.

- Some funds are required by state law and by bond covenants.
- The District establishes other funds to control and manage money for particular purposes, such as accounting for student activity funds or to show that it is properly using certain revenues such as federal grants.

The District has two kinds of funds:

- 1) Governmental funds: Most of the District's basic services are included in governmental funds, which generally focus on (1) how much cash and other financial assets can readily be converted to cash flow in and out and (2) the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental funds statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps the reader determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the District's programs. Because this information does not encompass the additional long-term focus of the government-wide statements, additional information at the bottom of the governmental funds statements explains the relationship (or differences) between them. The District's governmental funds include the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, Debt Service Fund and Capital Projects Fund.
- 2) Proprietary funds: Services for which the District charges a fee are generally reported in proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are reported in the same way as the government-wide statements. The District's enterprise funds (one type of proprietary fund) are the same as its business type activities but provide more detail and additional information, such as cash flows. The District currently has one enterprise fund, the School Nutrition Fund.

Reconciliations between the government-wide financial statements and the fund financial statements follow the fund financial statements.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Net assets - Figure A-3 below provides a summary of the District's net assets for the year ended June 30, 2006 compared to June 30, 2005.

Figure A-3
Condensed Statement of Net Assets
(expressed in thousands)

	Govern	mental	Busines	s-type	Tot	al	Percentage	
	Activ	ities	Activi	ities	School District		Change	
	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2005-2006	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	%	
Current assets	1,885	1,598	105	103	1,990	1,701	14.52%	
Capital assets	1,529	1,487	5	5	1,534	1,492	2.74%	
Total assets	3,414	3,085	110	108	3,524	3,193	<u>9.39</u> %	
Current liabilities	812	725	-	_	812	725	10.71%	
Non-current liabilities	1,040	1,110			1,040	1,110	- <u>6.73</u> %	
Total liabilities	1,852	1,835			1,852	1,835	<u>0.92</u> %	
Net Assets								
Invested in capital assets,								
net of related debt	489	377	5	5	494	382	22.67%	
Restricted	359	267	_	_	359	267	25.63%	
Unrestricted	714	606	105	103	819	709	<u>13.43</u> %	
Total net assets	1,562	1,250	110	108	1,672	1,358	<u>18.78</u> %	

Capital assets increased due to completion of the bus facility. Restricted assets increased as the Capital Projects Fund grew by over \$75,000. The General Fund increased as a result of additional revenue sources and careful monitoring of discretionary spending.

Changes in net assets - figure A-4 shows the changes in net assets for the year ended June 30, 2006 and 2005.

Figure A-4
Change in Net Assets
(expressed in thousands)

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	Governm	mental	Busines	s-type	Tota	Total		
	Activities		Activities		School District		Change	
	2006	2005	2006 2005		2006 2005		2005-2006	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$		
Revenues:								
Program revenues:								
Charges for service								
and sales	92	51	55	39	147	90	63.33%	
Operating grants,								
contributions and								
restricted interest	414	245	47	68	461	313	47.28%	
General revenues:								
Property tax	723	683	_	-	723	683	5.86%	
Income surtax	97	123	_	_	97	123	-21.14%	
Local option sales tax	116	94	_	-	116	94	23.40%	
Unrestricted state grants	928	812	_	-	928	812	14.29%	
Unrestricted investment								
earnings	13	10	_	_	13	10	30.00%	
Other	34	7			34	7	<u>385.71</u> %	
Total revenues	2,417	2,025	102	107	2,519	2,132	<u>18.15</u> %	
Program expenses:								
Governmental activities:								
Instruction	1,291	1,204	_	_	1,291	1,204	7.23%	
Support Services	467	410	_	-	467	410	13.90%	
Non-instructional programs	10	21	100	74	110	95	15.79%	
Other expenses	333	174			333	174	91.38%	
Total expenses	2,101	1,809	100	74	2,201	1,883	16.89%	
Change in net assets	316	216	2	33	318	249	<u>27.71</u> %	

Property tax and unrestricted state grants account for 66% of the total revenue. The District's expenses primarily relate to instruction and support services which account for 80% of the total expenses.

Governmental Activities

Revenues for governmental activities were \$2,412,106 and expenses were \$2,100,838.

The following table presents the total and net cost of the District's major governmental activities: instruction, support services, non-instructional programs and other expenses.

Figure A-5
Total and Net Cost of Governmental Activities
(expressed in thousands)

	(expressed in chousands)							
	Total	Cost of Se	rvices	Net C	vices			
			Change			Change		
	2006	2005	2005-2006	2006	2005	2005-2006		
	\$	\$		\$	\$			
Instruction	1,291	1,204	7.23%	1,046	1,008	3.77%		
Support Services	467	410	13.90%	461	377	22.28%		
Non-instructional programs	10	21	-52.38%	10	21	-52.38%		
Other expenses	333	174	91.38%	78	108	- <u>27.78</u> %		
Totals	2,101	1,809	<u>16.14</u> %	1,595	1,514	<u>5.35</u> %		

- The cost financed by users of the District's programs was \$92,215.
- Federal and state governments subsidized certain programs with grants and contributions totaling \$141,088.
- The net cost of governmental activities was financed with \$722,565 in property tax, \$927,575 in state foundation aid, and \$13,157 in interest income.

Business Type Activities

Revenues of the District's business type activities were \$100,175 and expenses were \$101,992. The District's business type activities include the School Nutrition and Day Care Funds. Revenues of these activities were comprised of charges for service, federal and state reimbursements and investment income.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT'S FUNDS

As previously noted Stratford Community School District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

The financial performance of the District as a whole is reflected in its governmental funds, as well. As the District completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$1,566,460, a twenty five percent increase over last year's ending fund balances of \$1,250,192. Depreciation expenses totaled over \$40,000. Increased state revenues and local option sales taxes were the primary reasons for the increase.

Governmental Fund Highlights

- The District maintained its General Fund balance by monitoring expenses from portions of the budget. Revenues from all areas also increased.
- The District continues to collect the School Infrastructure Local Option Sales Tax. It is being used for infrastructure projects and property tax relief.

Proprietary Fund Highlights

The School Nutrition Fund balance decreased due primarily reduced participation. The Day Care Fund grew substantially due to contributions and grant activity.

BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the Board of Education annually adopts a budget following required public notice and hearing for all funds. Although the budget document presents functional area expenditures or expenses by fund, the legal level of control is at the aggregated functional level, not at the fund or fund type level. The budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures. The District's budget is prepared on the cash basis. A schedule showing the original and final budget amounts compared to the District's actual financial activity is included in the required supplementary information section of this report. Since the District does not adopt a budget for individual funds, budgets for the General Fund and major Special Revenue Funds are not presented in the budgetary comparison on pages 35 and 36.

Legal Budgetary Highlights

The District's receipts were over \$300,000 less than budgeted receipts, a variance of 11%. The most significant variance resulted from the District receiving less in state and federal aid than originally anticipated.

Total expenditures were less than budgeted, due primarily to the District's budget for the General Fund. It is the District's practice to budget expenditures at the maximum authorized spending authority for the General Fund. The District then manages or controls General Fund spending through its line-item budget. As a result, the District's certified budget should always exceed actual expenditures for the year.

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

At June 30, 2006, the District had invested \$1.5 million, net of accumulated depreciation, in a broad range of capital assets, including land, buildings, athletic facilities, computers, audio-visual equipment and transportation equipment. (See Figure A-6) This represents a net decrease of 4% from last year. More detailed information about the District's capital assets is presented in Note 3 to the financial statements. Depreciation expense for the year was \$40,064.

The original cost of the District's capital assets was \$2,287,999. Governmental funds account for \$2,279,022, with the remainder of \$8,977 accounted for in the Proprietary, School Nutrition Fund.

Figure A-6
Condensed Statement of Net Assets

	(expressed in thousands)						
	Govern	mental	Busines	Business-type		al	Total
	Activ	ities	Activities June 30,		School District June 30,		Change
	June	30,					June 30,
	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2004-2005
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	_
Land	5	5	_	_	5	5	0.00%
Buildings	1,501	1,302	_	_	1,501	1,302	15.28%
Construction in progress	-	152	_	_	_	152	100.00%
Furniture and equipment	23	28	5	5	28	33	- <u>15.15</u> %
Totals	1,529	1,487	5	5	1,534	1,492	<u>2.82</u> %

Long-Term Debt

At June 30, 2006, the District had \$1,040,000 in general obligation, long-term debt outstanding. This represents a decrease of approximately 6% from last year (See Figure A-7). Additional information about the District's long-term debt is presented in Note 7 to the financial statements.

Figure A-7 Outstanding Long-Term Obligations

(expressed in thousands)								
Tota	Total							
Distr	ict	Change						
June	30,	June 30,						
2006	2005	2005-2006						
\$	\$							
1,040	1,110	- <u>6.31</u> %						
1,040	1,110	- <u>6.31</u> %						

General obligation bonds

Total

FACTORS BEARING ON THE DISTRICT'S FUTURE

At the time these financial statements were prepared and audited, the District was aware of existing circumstances that could significantly affect its financial health in the future:

- The SILO tax is being collected from all counties. This money will be used for infrastructure projects and property tax relief.
- The District has experienced declining enrollment the past several years.
- Allowable growth of 4% is inadequate to fund existing programs without dipping into existing reserves.
- Iowa law requires that unsettled salary negotiations for teachers go to mandatory arbitration. Invariably arbitrated settlements are higher than current levels of allowable growth in funding (not including the budget cuts after the contracts have been settled and people have been hired).
- Health insurance continues to be a very costly item to the District. Even though
 concessions have been made by employees in regard to deductibles, and coinsurance, other
 solutions need to be found. The skyrocketing cost of health care and the insurance to
 cover the cost will soon be unattainable by many.
- Unfunded mandates are stretching the limits of not only the financial health of the District, but also the human resources aspect of the District. "No Child Left Behind", "Student Achievement and Teacher Quality Act", and "GASB 34", to name a few.

CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Sarah Binder, Superintendent, Stratford Community School District, 1000 Shakespeare Ave, Stratford, IA 50249.



Statement of Net Assets

June 30, 2006

	Governmental Activities	Business Type Activities	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Assets			
Cash and pooled investments	994,351	104,651	1,099,002
Receivables:			
Property tax			
Current year	10,426	-	10,426
Succeeding year	802,068	-	802,068
Income surtax	56,136	-	56,136
Due from other governments	22,072	-	22,072
Inventories	-	477	477
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation			
(note 3)	1,529,199	4,636	1,533,835
Total assets	3,414,252	109,764	3,524,016
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	5,669	_	5,669
Accrued interest payable	4,123	_	4,123
Deferred revenue:			
Succeeding year property tax	802,068	_	802,068
Long term liabilities:			
Portion due within one year:			
General obligation bonds	70,000	-	70,000
Portion due after one year:			
General obligation bonds	970,000		970,000
Total liabilities	1,851,860	<u> </u>	1,851,860
Net Assets			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	489,199	4,636	493,835
Restricted for:	100 / 100	2,000	1,5,000
Management fund	69,775		69,775
Physical plant and equipment levy	179,694	_	179,694
Capital projects	109,855	_	109,855
Unrestricted	713,869	105,128	818,997
Total net assets	1,562,392	109,764	1,672,156
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Statement of Activities

Year ended June 30, 2006

		Progr	cam Revenues			
	Expenses	Charges for Service	Operating Grants, Contributions and Restricted Interest	Governmental Activities	Business Type _Activities	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Functions/Programs						
Governmental activities:						
Instruction:	1,291,538	90,181	155,236	(1,046,121)		(1,046,121)
Support services:						
Student services	7,739	_	_	(7,739)	_	(7,739)
Instructional staff services	9,074	_	-	(9,074)	-	(9,074)
Administration services	160,063	_	-	(160,063)	-	(160,063)
Operation and maintenance of plant services	160,882	_	3,894	(156,988)	-	(156,988)
Transportation services	128,810	2,034		(126,776)		(126,776)
	466,568	2,034	3,894	(460,640)		(460,640)
Non-instructional programs	10,000			(10,000)		(10,000)
Other expenditures:						
Facilities acquisition	171,544	_	180,821	9,277	-	9,277
Interest on long-term debt	53,330	_	295	(53,035)	-	(53,035)
Long-term debt services	300	_	-	(300)	-	(300)
AEA flowthrough	73,288	_	73,288	-	-	-
Depreciation (unallocated)*	34,270			(34,270)		(34,270)
	332,732		254,404	(78,328)		(78,328)
Total governmental activities	2,100,838	92,215	413,534	(1,595,089)	-	(1,595,089)

Statement of Activities

Year ended June 30, 2006

		Progr	cam Revenues	_		
	Expenses	Charges for Service	Operating Grants, Contributions and Restricted Interest	Governmental Activities	Business Type Activities	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Business type activities:						
Non-instructional programs	100,175	55,260	46,732		1,817	1,817
Total	2,201,013	147,475	460,266	(1,595,089)	1,817	(1,593,272)
General revenues:						
Property tax levied for:						
General purposes				518,781	_	518,781
Management Fund				31,243	_	31,243
Capital outlay				48,907	_	48,907
Debt service				123,634	_	123,634
Income surtax				97,485	-	97,485
School Infrastructure Local Option Sales Tax				116,093	_	116,093
Unrestricted state grants				927,575	-	927,575
Unrestricted investment earnings				13,175	-	13,175
Other				34,464		34,464
Total general revenue				1,911,357		1,911,357
Change in net assets				316,268	1,817	318,085
Net assets beginning of year				1,250,192	107,947	1,358,139
Net assets end of year				1,566,460	109,764	1,676,224

^{*} This amount excludes the depreciation that is included in the direct expense of the various programs. See notes to financial statements.

Physical

STRATFORD COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Balance Sheet Governmental Funds

June 30, 2006

		Debt	Capital	Plant and Equipment	Nonmajor Special	
	General	Service	Projects	Levy	Revenue	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Assets						
Cash and pooled investments	650,926	684	87,783	179,001	75,957	994,351
Receivables:						
Property tax:						
Current year	7,528	1,752	-	693	453	10,426
Succeeding year	587,760	124,480	_	52,828	37,000	802,068
Income surtax	56,136	-	-	-	-	56,136
Due from other governments			22,072			22,072
Total assets	1,302,350	126,916	109,855	232,522	113,410	1,885,053
Liabilities and Fund Balances						
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable	5,669	_	_	-	-	5,669
Deferred revenue:						
Succeeding year property tax	587,760	124,480	_	52,828	37,000	802,068
Succeeding year income surtax	56,136					56,136
Total liabilities	649,565	124,480		52,828	37,000	863,873
Fund balances:						
Reserved for:						
Capital projects	-	_	109,855	-	-	109,855
Debt service	_	2,436	_	-	_	2,436
Unreserved	652,785			179,694	76,410	908,889
Total fund balances	652,785	2,436	109,855	179,694	76,410	1,021,180
Total liabilities and fund balance	1,302,350	126,916	109,855	232,522	113,410	1,885,053
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See notes to financial statements.

Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds to the Statement of Net Assets

June 30, 2006

Total fund balances of governmental funds (Exhibit C)	\$ 1,021,180
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:	
Income surtax receivable at June 30, 2006 is not recognized as income until received in the governmental funds, however it is shown as a receivable in the Statement of Net Assets.	56,136
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as assets in the governmental funds.	1,529,199
Interest on long-term debt in the Statement of Activities differs from the amount reported in the governmental funds because interest is recorded as an expenditure in the funds when due. In the Statement of Activities, interest expense is recognized as the interest accrues, regardless of when it is due.	(4,123)
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the governmental funds.	
General obligation bonds	(1,040,000)
Net assets of governmental activities (Exhibit A)	\$ 1,562,392

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Fund Types

Year ended June 30, 2006

	<u>General</u> \$	Debt Service \$	Capital Projects \$	Physical Plant and Equipment Levy \$	Nonmajor Special Revenue	Total \$
Revenues:						
Local sources:						
Local tax	616,476	123,634	116,093	48,907	31,243	936,353
Tuition	90,181	-	_	-	_	90,181
Other	45,605	200	1,500	179,284	18,174	244,763
State sources	1,071,480	95	-	37	24	1,071,636
Federal sources	70,315					70,315
Total revenues	1,894,057	123,929	117,593	228,228	49,441	2,413,248
Expenditures:						
Instruction:	1,278,934				12,604	1,291,538
Support services:						
Student services	7,739	-	-	-	_	7,739
Instructional staff services	9,074	-	-	-	_	9,074
Administration services	160,063	-	_	-	-	160,063
Operation and maintenance of plant services	132,194	-	_	-	28,688	160,882
Transportation services	118,246				5,518	123,764
	427,316				34,206	461,522
Non-instructional programs:						
Food service operations	10,000					10,000

Year ended June 30, 2006

	General	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Physical Plant and Equipment Levy	Nonmajor Special Revenue	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Other expenditures:						
Facilities acquisition and construction services	_	_	41,228	211,629	_	252,857
Principal on long-term debt	_	70,000	_	-	-	70,000
Interest on long-term debt	_	53,680	_	_	_	53,680
Long-term debt services	_	300	_	_	_	300
AEA flowthrough	73,288					73,288
	73,288	123,980	41,228	211,629		450,125
Total expenditures	1,789,538	123,980	41,228	211,629	46,810	2,213,185
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over						
(under) expenditures	104,519	(51)	76,365	16,599	2,631	200,063
Other financing sources (uses):						
Operating transfers in	_	1,000	_	_	_	1,000
Operating transfers out	<u></u> _		(1,000)	<u> </u>		(1,000)
		1,000	(1,000)			
Net change in fund balances	104,519	949	75,365	16,599	2,631	200,063
Fund balances beginning of year	548,266	1,487	34,490	163,095	73,779	821,117
Fund balances end of year	652,785	2,436	109,855	179,694	76,410	1,021,180

\$ 312,200

STRATFORD COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities

Year ended June 30, 2006

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds (Exhibit E)		\$ 200,063
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:		
Income surtax receivable at June 30, 2006 is not recognized as income until received in the governmental funds, however it is shown as a revenue in the Statement of Activities.		(210)
Capital outlays to purchase or build capital assets are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, those costs are reported in the Statement of Net Assets and are allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense in the Statement of Activities. The amounts of capital outlays and depreciation expense in the year are as follows:		
Capital outlays Depreciation expense	\$ 81,313 (39,316)	41,997
Repayment of long-term liabilities is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Assets.		70,000
Interest on long-term debt in the Statement of Activities differs from the amount reported in the governmental funds because interest is reported as an expenditure in the funds when due. In the Statement of Activities, interest expense is recorded as the interest accrues, regardless of when it is due.		350

Change in net assets of governmental activities (Exhibit B)

Combining Statement of Net Assets
Proprietary Funds

June 30, 2006

	School Nutrition Day Care		Total	
	\$	\$		
Assets				
Cash and pooled investments	3,738	100,913	104,651	
Inventories	477	_	477	
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	4,636		4,636	
Total assets	8,851	100,913	109,764	
Net assets				
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	4,636	_	4,636	
Unrestricted	4,215	100,913	105,128	
Total net assets	8,851	100,913	109,764	

Year ended June 30, 2006

	School		
	Nutrition	Day Care	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Operating revenue:			
Local sources:			
Charges for services	32,446	22,814	55,260
Operating expenses:			
Non-instructional programs:			
Food service operations:			
Salaries	24,467	-	24,467
Benefits	5,879	-	5,879
Supplies	34,667	-	34,667
Depreciation	748		748
	65,761		65,761
Other enterprise operations:			
Salaries	_	27,351	27,351
Benefits	_	3,514	3,514
Supplies	_	3,549	3,549
		34,414	34,414
Total operating expenses	65,761	34,414	100,175
Operating (loss)	(33,315)	(11,600)	(44,915)
Non-operating revenues:			
Local sources	12	17,000	17,012
Capital contributions	10,000		10,000
State sources	597	_	597
Federal sources	19,123	_	19,123
	29,732	17,000	46,732
Change in net assets	(3,583)	5,400	1,817
Net assets beginning of year	12,434	95,513	107,947
Net assets end of year	8,851	100,913	109,764
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Combining Statement of Cash Flows
Proprietary Fund

Year ended June 30, 2006

	School Nutrition	Community Education	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Cash received from sale of services	32,446	22,814	55,260
Cash payments to employees for services	(30,346)	(30,865)	(61,211)
Cash payments to suppliers for goods or services	(26,966)	(3,549)	(30,515)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	(24,866)	(11,600)	(36,466)
Cash flows from non-capital financing activities: Contributions	_	15,000	15,000
State grants received	597	13,000	597
Federal grants received	13,488	_	13,488
Net cash provided by non-capital financing activities	14,085	15,000	29,085
Cash flows from capital financing activities:			
Capital contribution from General Fund	10,000		10,000
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Interest on investments	12	2,000	2,012
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(769)	5,400	4,631
Cash and cash equivalents beginning of year	4,507	95,513	100,020
Cash and cash equivalents end of year	3,738	100,913	104,651
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to			
net cash used in operating activities:			
Operating income (loss) Adjustments to reconcile operating profit (loss) to	(33,315)	(11,600)	(44,915)
net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:	T.40		E 4.0
Depreciation Commodities used	748 5,635	-	748 5,635
Decrease in inventory	2,066		2,066
20020000 111 111/011001/	(24,866)	(11,600)	(36,466)
Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents at year end to			
specific assets included on Combined Balance Sheet:			
Current assets:			
Cash	3,738	100,913	104,651

Non-cash investing, capital and financing activities:

During the year ended June 30, 2006, the District received federal commodities valued at \$5,635.

See notes to financial statements.

Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2006

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Stratford Community School District is a political subdivision of the State of Iowa and operates public schools for children in grades kindergarten through twelve. The geographic area served includes the City of Stratford, Iowa, and agricultural area in Boone, Hamilton, and Webster Counties. The District is governed by a Board of Education whose members are elected on a non-partisan basis.

The District's financial statements are prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

A. Reporting Entity

For financial reporting purposes, Stratford Community School District has included all funds, organizations, account groups, agencies, boards, commissions and authorities. The District has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the District are such that exclusion would cause the District's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and (1) the ability of the District to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the District. Stratford Community School District has no component units which meet the Governmental Accounting Standards Board criteria.

<u>Jointly Governed Organizations</u> - The District participates in a jointly governed organization that provides services to the District but does not meet the criteria of a joint venture since there is no ongoing financial interest or responsibility by the participating governments. The District is a member of the Hamilton County Assessor's Conference Board.

B. Basis of Presentation

Government-wide financial statements - The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the District. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by tax and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for service.

The Statement of Net Assets presents the District's nonfiduciary assets and liabilities, with the difference reported as net assets. Net assets are reported in three categories:

Invested in capital assets, net of related debt consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by outstanding balances for bonds, notes and other debt that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.

Restricted net assets result when constraints placed on net asset use are either externally imposed or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net assets consist of net assets that do not meet the definition of the two preceding categories. Unrestricted net assets often have constraints on resources that are imposed by management which can be removed or modified.

The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants, contributions and interest that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Property tax and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

<u>Fund Financial Statements</u> - Separate financial statements are provided for governmental proprietary and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as other nonmajor governmental funds.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the District. All general tax revenues and other receipts that are not allocated by law or contractual agreement to some other fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating expenses, including instructional, support and other costs.

The Debt Service Fund is used to account for the payment of interest and principal on the District's long-term debt.

The Physical Plant and Equipment Levy is used for the acquisition of capital assets (over \$500) and the maintenance and purchase of land improvements and facilities.

The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for funds raised by the one cent School Infrastructure Local Option Sales Tax. These funds are being used for debt retirement and infrastructure expenses.

The District reports the following major proprietary funds:

The District's proprietary funds are the Day Care and School Nutrition Fund. These funds are used to account for the food service operations of the District as well as a daycare facility.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The government-wide and the proprietary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property tax is recognized as revenue in the year for which it is levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been satisfied.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected with 60 days after year end.

Property tax, intergovernmental revenues (shared revenues, grants and reimbursements from other governments) and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the District.

Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, principal and interest on long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences are recognized as expenditures only when payment is due. Capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financial sources.

Under terms of grant agreements, the District funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants and general revenues. Thus, when program expenses are incurred, there are both restricted and unrestricted net assets available to finance the program. It is the District's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs, and then general revenues.

The proprietary funds of the District apply all applicable GASB pronouncements, as well as the following pronouncements issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless these pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements: Financial Accounting Standards Board Statements and Interpretations, Accounting Principles Board Opinions, and Accounting Research Bulletins of the Committee on Accounting Procedure.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the District's Enterprise Fund is charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

The District maintains its financial records on the cash basis. The financial statement of the District are prepared by making memorandum adjusting entries to the cash basis financial records.

D. Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balance

The following accounting policies are followed in preparing the financial statements:

<u>Cash, Pooled Investments and Cash Equivalents</u> - The cash balances of most District funds are pooled and invested. Investments are stated at fair value except for non-negotiable certificates of deposit which are stated at cost.

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, all short-term cash investments that are highly liquid are considered to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and, at the day of purchase, they have a maturity date no longer than three months.

Property Tax Receivable - Property tax in governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Property tax receivable is recognized in these funds on the levy or lien date, which is the date that the tax asking is certified by the Board of Education. Delinquent property tax receivable represents unpaid taxes for the current and prior years. The succeeding year property tax receivable represents taxes certified by the Board of Education to be collected in the next fiscal year for the purposes set out in the budget for the next fiscal year. By statute, the District is required to certify its budget in April of each year for the subsequent fiscal year. However, by statute, the tax asking the budget certification for the following fiscal year becomes effective on the first day of that year. Although the succeeding year property tax receivable has been recorded, the related revenue is deferred in both the government-wide and fund financial statements and will not be recognized as revenue until the year for which it is levied.

Property tax revenue recognized in these funds become due and collectible in September and March of the fiscal year with a 1½% per month penalty for delinquent payments; is based on January 1, 2004 assessed property valuations; is for the tax accrual period July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006 and reflects the tax asking contained in the budget certified to the County Board of Supervisors in April 2005.

<u>Inventories</u> - Inventories are valued at cost using the first-in, first-out method for purchased items and government commodities. Inventories of proprietary funds are recorded as expenses when consumed rather than when purchased or received.

<u>Capital Assets</u> - Capital assets, which include property, furniture and equipment, are reported in the applicable governmental or business type activities columns in the government-wide Statement of Net Assets. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repair that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Capital assets are defined by the District as assets with an initial, individual cost in excess of the following thresholds and estimated useful lives in excess of two years.

Asset Class	Amount
Land	\$ 1,000
Buildings	10,000
Improvements other than buildings	10,000
Furniture and equipment:	
School Nutrition Fund equipment	10,000
Other furniture and equipment	10,000

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

	Estimated
	Useful Lives
Asset Class	(In Years)
	·
Buildings	50 years
Improvements other than buildings	20-50 years
Furniture and equipment	5-15 years

Deferred Revenue - Although certain revenues are measurable, they are not available. Available means collectible within the current period or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Deferred revenue in the governmental fund financial statements represent the amount of assets that have been recognized, but the related revenue has not been recognized since the assets are not collected within the current period or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Deferred revenue consists of unspent grant proceeds as well as property tax receivables and other receivables not collected within sixty days after year end.

Deferred revenue on the Statement of Net Assets consists of succeeding year property tax receivable that will not be recognized as revenue until the year for which it is levied.

<u>Compensated Absences</u> - District employees accumulated a limited amount of earned but unused vacation for subsequent use or for payment upon termination, death or retirement. A liability is recorded when incurred in the government-wide financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental fund financial statements only for employees that have resigned or retired. The compensated absences liability is deemed to be immaterial at June 30, 2006.

<u>Fund Balance</u> - In the governmental fund financial statements, reservations of fund balance are reported for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose.

Restricted Net Assets - In the government-wide Statement of Net Assets, net assets are reported as restricted when constraints placed on net asset use are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors or laws and regulations of other governments or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

E. <u>Budgeting</u> and <u>Budgetary</u> Control

The budgetary comparison and related disclosures are reported as Required Supplementary Information. Expenditures exceeded the amount budgeted in the other expenditures function.

(2) Cash and Pooled Investments

The District's deposits in banks at June 30, 2006 were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against the depositories to insure there will be no loss of public funds.

The District is authorized by statute to invest public funds in obligations of the United States government, its agencies and instrumentalities; certificates of deposit or other evidences of deposit at federally insured depository institutions approved by the Board of Education; prime eligible bankers acceptances; certain high rated commercial paper; perfected repurchase agreements; certain registered open-end management investment companies; certain joint investment trusts; and warrants or improvement certificates of a drainage district.

The District had no investments at June 30, 2006.

(3) Capital Assets

Capital assets activity for the year ended June 30, 2006 was as follows:

	Balance			Balance
	Beginning			End of
	of Year	Increases	Decreases	Year
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Governmental activities:				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	5,000			5,000
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings	1,877,000	233,498	-	2,110,498
Construction in Progress	152,185	_	152,185	-
Furniture and Equipment	168,524			168,524
Total capital assets being depreciated	2,197,709	233,498	152,185	2,279,022
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings	574,600	34,270	_	608,870
Furniture and Equipment	140,907	5,046		145,953
Total accumulated depreciation	715,507	39,316		754,823
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	1,482,202	194,182	152,185	1,524,199
Governmental activities, capital assets, net	1,487,202	194,182	152,185	1,529,199

	Balance Beginning of Year	Increases	Decreases	Balance End of Year
- -	\$	\$	\$	\$
Business type activities:				
Furniture and equipment	8,977	-	_	8,977
Less accumulated depreciation	3,593	748		4,341
Business type activities capital assets, net	5,384	(748)		4,636
Depreciation expense was charged to the followin Governmental activities: Support services:	g functions:			
Transportation				5,046
Unallocated				34,270
				39,316
Business Type activities:				
Food service operations				748

(4) Pension and Retirement Benefits

The District contributes to the Iowa Public Employees Retirement System (IPERS) which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of Iowa. IPERS provides retirement and death benefits which are established by State statute to plan members and beneficiaries. IPERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to IPERS, PO Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa, 50306-9117.

Plan members are required to contribute 3.70% of their annual salary and the District is required to contribute 5.75% of annual payroll. Contribution requirements are established by State statute. The District's contribution to IPERS for the years ended June 30, 2006, 2005, and 2004 were \$45,697, \$41,617, and \$38,266 respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

(5) Area Education Agency

The District is required by the Code of Iowa to budget for its share of special education support, media and educational services provided through the area education agency. The District's actual amount for this purpose totaled \$73,288 for year ended June 30, 2006 and is recorded in the General Fund by making a memorandum adjusting entry to the cash basis financial statements.

(6) Risk Management

Stratford Community School District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft; damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by the purchase of commercial insurance. The District assumes liability for any deductibles and claims in excess of coverage limitations. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

(7) Bonds Payable

Details of the District's June 30, 2006 general obligation bonded indebtedness are as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Interest Rates	<u>Interest</u> \$	<u>Principal</u> \$	<u>Total</u> \$
		7	т	7
2007	4.50	49,480	75,000	124,480
2008	4.50	46,105	75,000	121,105
2009	4.60	42,730	80,000	122,730
2010	4.70	39,050	85,000	124,050
2011	4.70	35,055	90,000	125,055
2012	4.80	30,825	90,000	120,825
2013	4.80	26,505	95,000	121,505
2014	4.80	21,945	105,000	126,945
2015	4.90	16,905	110,000	126,905
2016	4.90	11,515	115,000	126,515
2017	4.90	5,880	120,000	125,880
Total		<u>325,955</u>	1,040,000	1,365,995

(8) Changes in Long-Term Debt

A summary of changes in long-term debt for the year ended June 30, 2006 is as follows:

	General Obligation Bonds
Balance beginning of year Additions Reductions	\$1,110,000 - 70,000
Balance end of year	\$ <u>1,040,000</u>

(9) Interfund Transfers

The detail of interfund transfers for the year ending June 30, 2006 is as follows:

Transfer to	Transfer from	Amount
Debt Service	Capital Projects	\$ <u>1,000</u>



Budgetary Comparison Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Balances Budget and Actual - All Governmental Funds and Proprietary Fund
Required Supplementary Information

Year ended June 30, 2006

	Governmental Fund Types	Proprietary Fund Types	Total	Budgeted	Amounts	Final to Actual Variance - Positive
	Actual	Actual	Actual	Original	Final	(Negative)
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Revenues:						
Local sources	1,271,297	82,272	1,353,569	1,411,541	1,411,541	(57,972)
State sources	1,071,636	597	1,072,233	1,185,179	1,185,179	(112,946)
Federal sources	70,315	19,123	89,438	225,000	225,000	(135,562)
Total revenues	2,413,248	101,992	2,515,240	2,821,720	2,821,720	(306,480)
Expenditures:						
Instruction	1,291,538	_	1,291,538	1,797,569	1,797,569	506,031
Support services	461,522	-	461,522	1,236,393	1,236,393	774,871
Non-instructional programs	10,000	100,175	110,175	229,591	229,591	119,416
Other expenditures	450,125	-	450,125	367,705	367,705	(82,420)
Total expenditures	2,213,185	100,175	2,313,360	3,631,258	3,631,258	1,317,898
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	200,063	1,817	201,880	(809,538)	(809,538)	1,011,418
Other financing sources (uses)						
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures						
and other financing uses	200,063	1,817	201,880	(809,538)	(809,538)	1,011,418
Balance beginning of year	821,117	107,947	929,064	809,538	809,538	119,526
Balance end of year	1,021,180	109,764	1,130,944			1,130,944

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Notes to Required Supplementary Information - Budgetary Reporting

Year ended June 30, 2006

This budgetary comparison is presented as Required Supplementary Information in accordance with <u>Governmental Accounting Standard Board</u> Statement No. 41 for governments with significant budgetary perspective differences resulting from not being able to present budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and each major Special Revenue Fund.

In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the Board of Education annually adopts a budget following required public notice and hearing for all funds, except Private Purpose Trust and Agency Funds. The budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures. The District's budget is prepared on a GAAP basis.

Formal and legal budgetary control for the certified budget is based upon four major classes of expenditures known as functions, not by fund or fund type. These four functions are instruction, support services, non-instructional programs and other expenditures. Although the budget document presents function expenditures or expenses by fund, the legal level of control is at the aggregated functional level, not by fund. The Code of Iowa also provides that District expenditures in the General Fund may not exceed the amount authorized by the school finance formula.

During the year ended June 30, 2006, expenditures exceeded the amount budgeted in the other expenditures function. The District did not exceed the General Fund unspent authorized budget.



Combining Balance Sheet Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds

June 30, 2006

	Management	Student Activity	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Assets			
Cash and pooled investments Property tax receivable:	69,322	6,635	75,957
Current year Succeeding year	453 37,000		453 37,000
Total assets	106,775	6,635	113,410
Liabilities and Fund Balance			
Liabilities: Deferred revenue:			
Succeeding year property tax	37,000		37,000
Fund balance:			
Unreserved fund balance	69,775 69,775	6,635	76,410 76,410
Total liabilities and fund balance	106,775	6,635	113,410

Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds

Year ended June 30, 2006

		Student	
	Management	Activity	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Revenues:			
Local sources:			
Local tax	31,243	_	31,243
Other	3,870	14,304	18,174
State sources	24		24
Total revenues	35,137	14,304	49,441
Expenditures:			
Instruction	_	12,604	12,604
Support services:			
Plant operation and maintenance	28,688	_	28,688
Student transportation	5,518		5,518
Total expenditures	34,206	12,604	46,810
Excess of revenues over expenditures	931	1,700	2,631
Fund balances beginning of year	68,844	4,935	73,779
Fund balances end of year	69,775	6,635	76,410

Schedule of Changes in Special Revenue Fund, Student Activity Accounts

Year ended June 30, 2006

Account	Balance Beginning of Year	Revenues	Expenditures	Balance End of Year
Account	\$	\$	\$	\$
Book Club	380	160	179	361
Annuals	1,680	700	302	2,078
Miscellaneous	825	10,052	9,908	969
Music	190	588	662	116
PO	97	_	-	97
Library	701	_	-	701
Extra activities	1,062	2,804	1,553	2,313
Totals	4,935	14,304	12,604	6,635

Comparison of Taxes and Intergovernmental Revenues

		Years ended	d June 30,	
	2006	2005	2004	2003
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Local sources:				
General	616,476	551,928	578,640	594,281
Special revenue	31,243	75,680	106,004	106,413
Debt service	123,634	122,416	126,264	123,348
Capital projects	116,093	93,878	15,992	10,290
	887,446	843,902	826,900	834,332
State sources:				
General	1,071,480	964,331	804,756	805,998
School nutrition	597	586	620	662
	1,072,077	964,917	805,376	806,660
Federal sources:				
General	70,315	49,073	52,880	69,886
School nutrition	19,123	18,687	17,182	17,186
	89,438	67,760	70,062	87,072
Total	2,048,961	1,876,579	1,702,338	1,728,064

Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

To the Board of Education of the Stratford Community School District:

Compliance

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Stratford Community School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2006, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statement listed in the table of contents, and have issued our report thereon date July 27, 2006. We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Stratford Community School District's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements and not to provide and opinion on the internal control over financial reporting. However, we noted certain matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be reportable conditions. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control over financial reporting that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the District's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. Reportable conditions are described in Part I of the accompanying Schedule of Findings.

A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements caused by error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control over financial. reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, of the reportable conditions described above, we believe item 06-I-A is a material weakness.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether, Stratford Community School District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, non-compliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed immaterial instances of non-compliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the District's operations for the year ended June 30, 2006 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statements of the District. Since our audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes.

This report, a public record by law, is intended solely for the information and use of the officials, employees and citizens of Stratford Community School District and other parties to whom Stratford Community School District may report, including federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities. This report is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

We would like to acknowledge the many courtesies and assistance extended to us by personnel of Stratford Community School District during the course of our audit. Should you have any questions concerning any of the above matters, we shall be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience.

BRUCE D. FRINK
Certified Public Accountant

July 27, 2006

Schedule of Findings

Year ended June 30, 2006

Part I: Findings Related to the General Purpose Financial Statements:

INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE:

No matters were reported.

REPORTABLE CONDITIONS:

06-I-A SEGREGATION OF DUTIES

<u>Comment</u> - One important aspect of the internal control structure is the <u>segregation</u> of duties among employees to prevent an individual employee from handling duties which are incompatible. We noted the duties of the individual include: 1) preparation of checks, signing of checks, recording the transactions in the journals, and reconciling the bank; 2) receiving cash receipts, preparing the receipt, making up the bank deposit, and recording the transaction in the journals.

<u>Recommendation</u> - We realize that with a limited number of administrative employees, segregation of duties to eliminate incompatible duties is difficult. We also realize the job description, as defined by the Code of Iowa, of certain members of the administrative staff make the segregations even more difficult and the elimination of the possibility of administrative override of the system improbable. However, we feel the board and administration should review these policies annually and with each personnel change to insure the best possible control climate is maintained.

 $\frac{\text{Response}}{\text{system of internal controls.}}$ - We will investigate alternative procedures which will improve our

Conclusion - Response accepted.

Part II: Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting:

- 06-II-A Official Depositories Official depositories have been approved by the District.

 The maximum deposit amounts approved were not exceeded during the year ended June 30, 2006.
- 06-II-B <u>Certified Budget</u> Expenditures for the year ended June 30, 2006, exceeded the certified budget amounts in the other expenditures function.

 $\overline{\text{Chapter 24.9}}$ of the Code of Iowa before disbursements were allowed to exceed budget.

 $\underline{\text{Response}}$ - Future budgets will be amended in sufficient amounts to ensure the certified budget is not exceeded.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

- 06-II-C <u>Questionable Expenditures</u> We noted no expenditures that may not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney General's opinion dated April 25, 1979.
- 06-II-D Travel Expense No expenditures of District money for travel expenses of spouses of District officials or employees were noted. No travel advances to District officials or employees were noted.

Schedule of Findings

Year ended June 30, 2006

Part II: Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting: (continued):

06-II-E	$\frac{\text{Business Transactions}}{\text{District officials or were noted.}}$ - No business transactions between the District and
06-II-F	Bond Coverage - Surety bond coverage of District officials and employees is in accordance with statutory provisions. The amount of coverage should be reviewed annually to insure that the coverage is adequate for current operations.
06-II-G	Board Minutes - We noted no items requiring Board approval which had not been approved by the Board.
06-II-H	<u>Deposits and Investments</u> - We noted no instances of noncompliance with the deposit and investment provisions of Chapter 12B and Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa and the District's investment policy.
06-II-I	<u>Certified Annual Report</u> - The Certified Annual Report was filed with the Department of Education and we noted no significant deficiencies in the amounts reported.
06-II-J	Certified Enrollment - No variances in the basic enrollment data certified to the Department of Education were noted.